

Two great capitals

Capitol of Argentina and Congress Square, Buenos Aires.

OPPOSITE sides of the wide city of Buenos Aires, only a few hours steaming distance apart, lie two of South America's greatest cities. Buenos Aires, capital of Argentina, and Montevideo, capital of Uruguay. Buenos Aires means "good airs," or "delightful breezes," if one is willing to translate less literally. The city is not merely the capital and chief port of a South American republic. It is a world center—a city of superlatives, contrasts and paradoxes.

In population of slightly more than 2,000,000 makes it, by a wide margin, the metropolis of South America. It is the southern hemisphere. It is the greatest of Spanish-speaking cities, having nearly three times as many inhabitants as Madrid. It is greater than any other Latin city except Paris. In the New World it shares third place with Philadelphia; only New York and Chicago surpass it. And now that Petrograd and Moscow have shrunk while Vienna is marking time, it probably ranks or soon will rank as the eighth city of the world, led only by the three metropolises of Europe (London, Berlin and Paris) and two of North America (New York and Chicago).

In Argentina, the focus of the culture, thought, politics, economics, and social life of the continent, lies as the funnel through which pass millions of pounds of dressed meats and the millions of bushels of wheat which make up the contribution of the republic to the hungry peoples of the Old World. Its language is the language of Spain, but many other things Spanish have been thrust aside. Its inhabitants would laugh at the idea of a midday siesta—so generally observed in the rest of the continent. The rapid development of Argentina has made immense fortunes, and the stream of gold has been pouring lavishly into the lap of Buenos Aires. In no other city, perhaps, can one see so strikingly displayed the evidences of extreme opulence.

Making a Nervous City.

In progress and the possession of vision the people of Buenos Aires are unimpaired even by the ravages of war. For centuries after its establishment Buenos Aires was without a port. Ships anchored miles from the shoreline, and the cargo was hauled by mule trains. With the last twenty-five years the municipality has constructed the largest artificial docks in the world. These docks, adequate facilities for thousands of ocean vessels and coasters, have put into its port annually.

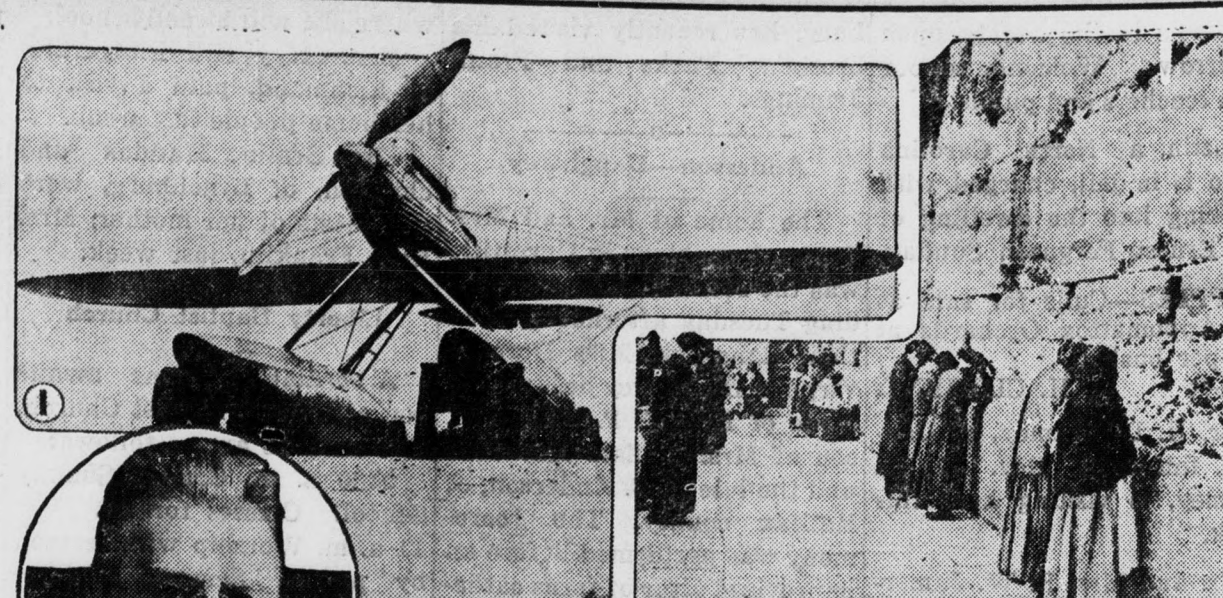
The narrow checker-board of streets in the business center which the colonial Buenos Aires bequeathed to the world-city of today has been a constant embarrassment in the face of the demands of modern business. The municipality has widened the streets, these narrow ways at a cost of many millions of dollars, into wide and handsome avenues, and is carrying other arteries of traffic dignified through the closely packed squares.

In the newer parts of the city streets of ample width and numerous broad avenues have been laid out. Many of the avenues are lined with tall, slender trees, and are carrying other arteries of traffic dignified through the closely packed squares.

The new Buenos Aires are up-to-date in all things; but its women are even ahead of the times. They wear the latest Paris fashions even before these are worn by the Parisiennes themselves. Climate must be given its rightful place in the explanation of this paradox. Summer months, designated in Paris in December, and the reversal of the seasons south of the Equator make the climate of Buenos Aires in January and February when they reach the head of modern fashion.

Mathematics

John's mother had been teaching him to count money and to be careful in spending it. One day he came from an errand to the grocery which was the last remaining fragment of the old world. "Now, John," said mother, "I will give you these pennies if you can give me how many they make."



1—British seaplane carrier which in tests attained a speed of 200 miles an hour. 2—Gerrit J. Dickson of Michigan, appointed Argentine minister to Holland. 3—Famous Walling Wall in Jerusalem where the attacks by Arabs on Jews of Palestine started.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Laf Zeppelin Arrives at Lakewood, Completing Trip Around World.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

WITH its arrival at Lakewood, N. J., the Graf Zeppelin completed its epochal trip around the world, in the shortest time in the history of the world. It was the first of its kind, and the first of its kind.

The Zeppelin made a smooth landing at Lakewood, N. J., and was greeted by a large crowd of people. The ship was then taken to the Zeppelin dock, where it was moored.

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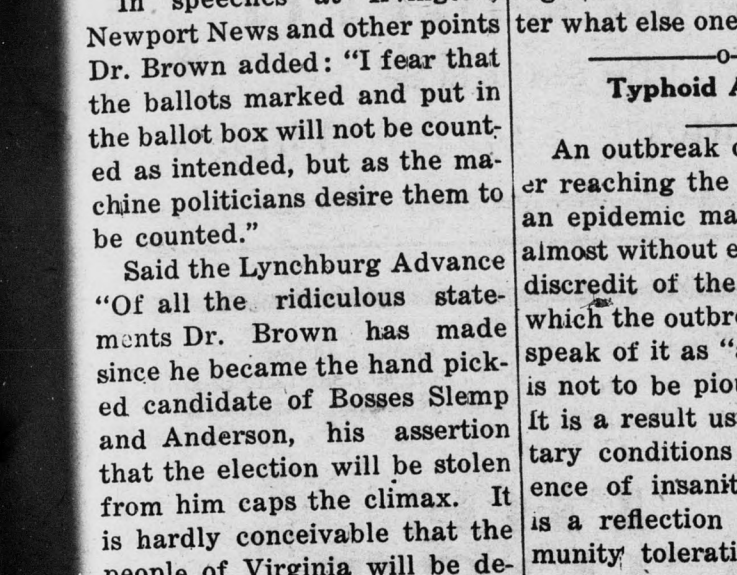
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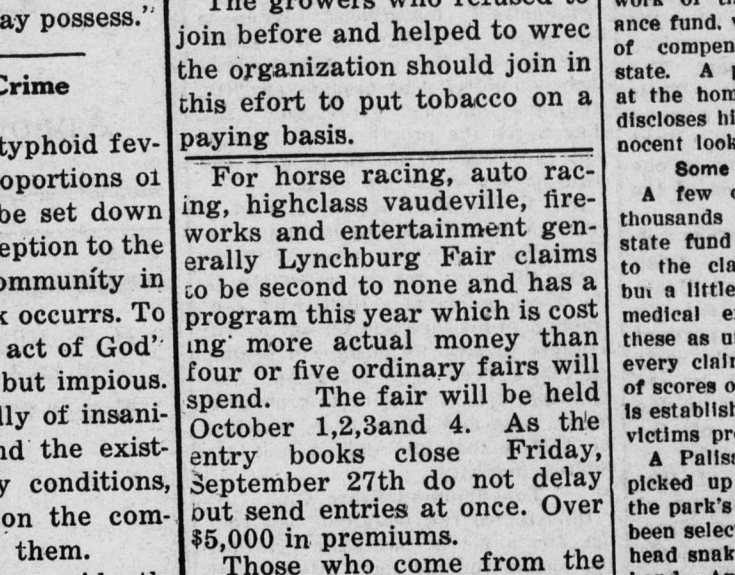
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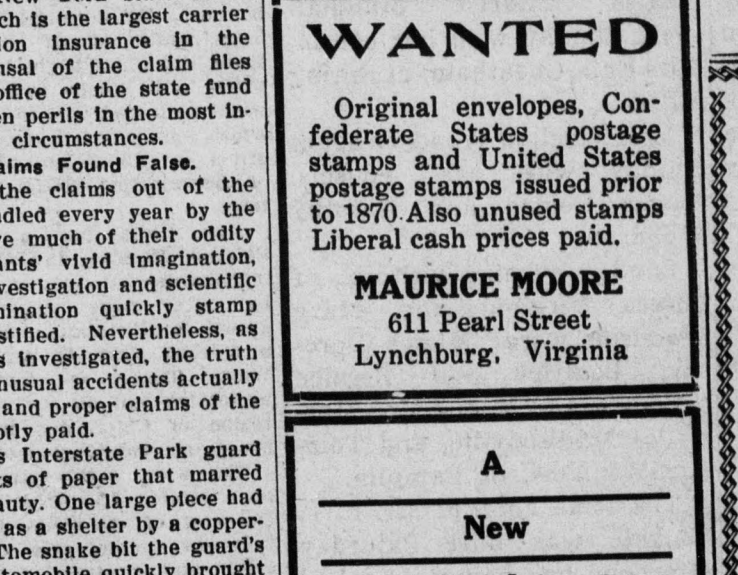
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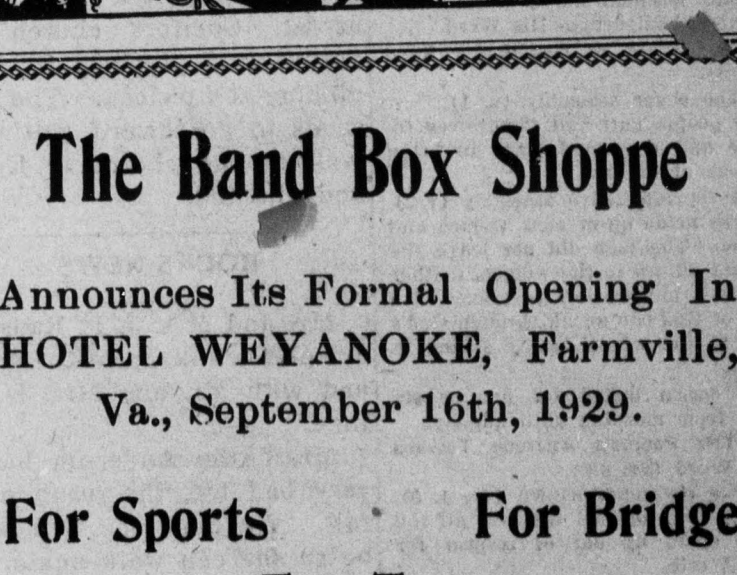
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